CHAPTER 1147

CORRECTIVE CHANGES IN AGRICULTURE LAWS

H. F. 1190

AN ACT relating to corrective changes in laws administered by the department of agriculture.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section one hundred fifty-nine point twenty-two

(159.22), Code 1973, is amended to read as follows:

2 3 159.22 Grants and gifts of funds. The division may with the 4 approval of the secretary of agriculture accept grants and allotments of funds from the federal government and enter into co-operative 5 agreements with the secretary of agriculture of the United States for projects to effectuate any of the purposes of this division as described herein; and to accept grants, gifts or allotments of funds from any 9 person, firm, co-operative, corporation, or association for the purpose 10 of carrying out the provisions of this section chapter for which an itemized accounting must be made by the director to the Iowa secre-11 tary of agriculture at the end of each fiscal year. 12

SEC. 2. Section one hundred eighty-four A point two (184A.2), unnumbered paragraph two (2), Code 1973, is amended to read as 2 3 follows:

The fee shall be imposed on the producer and collected at the time of delivery of a turkey to the processing plant and shall be deducted by the processor at the time of delivery from the price paid to the producer at the time of the sale to the producer processor.

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CHAPTER 1148

STANDARDS FOR CARE OF ANIMALS

H. F. 550

AN ACT to provide standards for the care of animals in animal shelters, pounds, and pet shops, and to regulate dealers, animal wardens, boarding kennels, commercial kennels, hobby kennels, public auctions, and commercial breeders, and provide penalties for violations.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. NEW SECTION. Policy. The purpose of this Act is: 1. To insure that all dogs and cats handled by boarding kennels. 3 commercial kennels, hobby kennels, commercial breeders, dealers, and public auctions are provided with humane care and treatment by regulating the transportation, sale, purchase, housing, care, handling and 5 treatment of such animals by persons or organizations engaged in transporting, buying, or selling them and to provide that all vertebrate 7 animals consigned to pet shops are provided humane care and treat-8 ment by regulating the transportation, sale, purchase, housing, care,
- handling and treatment of such animals by pet shops.

- 2. To authorize the sale, trade, or adoption of only those animals 11 12 which appear to be free of infectious or communicable disease. 13
 - 3. To protect the public from zoonotic disease.

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SEC. 2. NEW SECTION. Definitions. As used in this Act, except as otherwise expressly provided:

1. "Pound" or "dog pound" means a facility for the prevention of cruelty to animals operated by the state, a municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the state for the purpose of impounding or harboring seized stray, homeless, abandoned or unwanted dogs, cats or other animals; or a facility operated for such a purpose under a contract with any municipal corporation or incorporated society.

2. "Person" means person as defined in chapter four (4) of the

Code.
3. "Animal shelter" means a facility which is used to house or contain dogs or cats, or both, and which is owned, operated, or maintained by an incorporated humane society, animal welfare society, society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, or other nonprofit organization devoted to the welfare, protection, and humane treatment of such animals.

4. "Pet shop" means an establishment where any dog, cat, rabbit, rodent, nonhuman primate, bird, or other vertebrate animal is bought, sold, exchanged or offered for sale to the general public.

5. "Boarding kennel" means a place or establishment other than a pound or animal shelter where dogs or cats not owned by the proprietor are sheltered, fed, and watered in return for a consideration.

6. "Commercial kennel" means a kennel which performs grooming or training services for dogs or cats, or both, and may or may not render boarding services in return for a consideration.

7. "Hobby kennel" means a noncommercial kennel at, in, or adjoining a private residence where dogs or cats, or both, are kept for the hobby of the householder, in using them for hunting or practice training or for exhibiting them in shows or field or obedience trials, or for guarding or protecting the householder's property and from which offspring with a total value in excess of one hundred dollars are sold, traded, or exchanged during a calendar year. The keeper of a hobby kennel may keep or maintain up to ten dogs or cats, or both, of either sex per year and may raise or sell not more than fifteen offspring of either dogs or cats, or both, during any calendar year without changing the status of the kennel. If the keeper of a hobby kennel sells, trades, or transfers more than fifteen offspring during any calendar year, he shall be subject to licensing as a commercial breeder.

8. "Commercial breeder" means a person engaged in the business of breeding dogs or cats, or both, for sale, whether or not such animals are raised, trained, groomed, or boarded by such breeder.

9. "Public auction" means any place or location where dogs or cats, or both, are sold at auction to the highest bidder regardless of whether the dogs or cats are offered as individuals, as a group, or by weight.

10. "Secretary" means the secretary of agriculture of the state of Iowa.

11. "Dealer" means any person who is engaged in the business of buying for resale or selling or exchanging dogs or cats, or both, as a principal or agent, or who holds himself out to be so engaged.

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12. "Research facility" means any school or college of medicine, veterinary medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, or osteopathy, or hospital, diagnostic or research laboratories, or other educational or scientific establishment situated in this state concerned with the investigation of, or instruction concerning the structure or function of living organisms, the cause, prevention, control, or cure of diseases or abnormal

conditions of human beings or animals.

13. "Primary enclosure" means any structure used to immediately restrict an animal to a limited amount of space, such as a room, pen,

cage, or compartment.

14. "Housing facility" means any room, building or area used to

contain a primary enclosure or enclosures.

15. "Euthanasia" means the humane destruction of an animal accomplished by a method that involves instantaneous unconsciousness and immediate death or by a method that involves anesthesia, produced by an agent which causes painless loss of consciousness, and death during the loss of consciousness.

16. "Adequate feed" means the provision at suitable intervals of not more than twenty-four hours or longer if the dietary requirements of the species so require, of a quantity of wholesome foodstuff suitable for the species and age, sufficient to maintain a reasonable level of nutrition in each animal. The foodstuff shall be served in a clean receptacle, dish or container.

17. "Adequate water" means reasonable access to a supply of clean, fresh, potable water provided in a sanitary manner or provided at suitable intervals for the species and not to exceed twenty-four hours

- at any interval.

 18. "Animal warden" means any person employed, contracted, or appointed by the state, municipal corporation, or any political subdivision of the state, for the purpose of aiding in the enforcement of the provisions of this Act or any other law or ordinance relating to the licensing of animals, control of animals or seizure and impoundment of animals and includes any peace officer, animal control officer, or other employee whose duties in whole or in part include assignments which involve the seizure or taking into custody of any animal.
- SEC. 3. NEW SECTION. Certificate of registration for pound. After January 1, 1975, no pound shall be operated unless a certificate of registration for the pound is granted by the secretary. Application for the certificate shall be made in the manner approved by the secretary. No fee shall be required for the application or certificate. Certificates of registration shall expire annually on March first unless revoked and may be renewed upon application in the manner provided by the secretary. A registered pound may engage in the sale of dogs or cats, or both, under its control, if it obtains a license for such activity, but no fee shall be charged therefor unless the registered 10 pound is privately owned. 11
 - SEC. 4. NEW SECTION. Certificate of registration for animal shelter. After January 1, 1975, no person shall operate an animal shelter 3 unless a certificate of registration for the animal shelter is granted by the secretary. Application for the certificate shall be made in the manner provided by the secretary. No fee shall be required for the application or certificate. Certificates of registration shall expire annually

on March first unless revoked and may be renewed in the manner provided by the secretary. A registered animal shelter may engage in the sale of dogs or cats, or both, under its control, if it obtains a license for such activity, but no fee shall be charged therefor.

SEC. 5. NEW SECTION. Pet shop license. After January 1, 1975, no person shall operate a pet shop unless he has obtained a license to operate a pet shop issued by the secretary. Application for the license shall be made in the manner provided by the secretary. The license shall expire annually on March first of each year unless revoked and may be renewed in the manner provided by the secretary. The license fee shall be forty dollars per year or ten dollars for each quarter or portion of a quarter of a year. The license may be renewed if the licensee has conformed to all statutory and regulatory requirements.

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NEW SECTION. Commercial kennel or public auction license. After January 1, 1975, no person shall operate a commercial kennel or public auction, as defined in Section 2 of this Act, unless he has obtained a license to operate a commercial kennel or a public auction issued by the secretary or unless he has obtained a certificate of registration issued by the secretary if his kennel is federally licensed. Application for the license or the certificate shall be made in the manner provided by the secretary. The license and the certificate shall expire annually on March first unless revoked. The license fee shall be twenty-five dollars per year or seven dollars for each quarter or portion of a quarter of a year and the certification fee shall be five dollars annually. If the person has obtained a federal license, he need only obtain a certificate. The license may be renewed upon application and payment of the prescribed fee in the manner provided by the secretary provided the licensee has conformed to all statutory and regulatory requirements. The certificate may be renewed upon application and payment of the prescribed fee in the manner provided by the secretary.

SEC. 7. NEW SECTION. Dealer license. After January 1, 1975, no person shall operate as a dealer unless he has obtained a license issued by the secretary or unless he has obtained a certificate of registration issued by the secretary if his kennel is federally licensed. Application for the license or the certificate shall be made in the manner provided by the secretary. The license and certificate shall expire annually on March first unless revoked. The license fee shall be fifty dollars per year or fifteen dollars for each quarter or portion of a quarter of a year, and the certification fee shall be five dollars per year. The license may be renewed upon application and payment of the prescribed fee in the manner provided by the secretary, provided the licensee has conformed to all statutory and regulatory requirements. The certificate may be renewed upon application and payment of the prescribed fee in the manner provided by the secretary.

SEC. 8. NEW SECTION. Commercial breeder's license. After January 1, 1975, no person shall operate as a commercial breeder unless he has obtained a license issued by the secretary or unless he has obtained a certificate of registration issued by the secretary if his kennel is federally licensed. Application for the license or the certificate shall be made in the manner provided by the secretary. The annual license

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- or the certification period shall commence March first of each year. The license fee shall be twenty-five dollars per year or seven dollars for each quarter or portion of a quarter of a year and the certificate fee shall be five dollars per year. The license may be renewed upon application and payment of the prescribed fee in the manner provided by the secretary provided the licensee has conformed to all statutory and regulatory requirements. The certificate may be renewed upon application and payment of the prescribed fee in the manner provided by the secretary.
- SEC. 9. NEW SECTION. Boarding kennel operator's license. After January 1, 1975, no person shall operate a boarding kennel unless he has obtained a license to operate a boarding kennel issued by the secretary. Application for the license shall be made in the manner provided by the secretary. The annual license period shall commence March first of each year. The license fee shall be fifteen dollars per year or four dollars for each quarter or portion of a quarter of a year. The license may be renewed upon application and payment of the prescribed fee in the manner provided by the secretary provided the licensee has conformed to all statutory and regulatory requirements.
 - SEC. 10. NEW SECTION. Hobby kennel owner's license. After January 1, 1975, no person shall operate a hobby kennel unless he obtains a license issued by the secretary. Application for the license shall be in the manner provided by the secretary. The annual license period shall commence March first. The license fee shall be two dollars per year. The license may be renewed upon application in the manner prescribed by the secretary, provided the licensee has conformed to all statutory and regulatory requirements.

SEC. 11. NEW SECTION. Exceptions.

1. Any dealer or commercial breeder and any person who operates a commercial kennel or public auction who has obtained and is operating his business under a current and valid federal license shall, upon payment of the prescribed fee, be forwarded a certificate of registration by the secretary.

2. The certificate of registration may be denied or revoked if the person no longer possesses a current and valid federal license. Other than obtaining the certificate of registration from the secretary, any dealer or commercial breeder and any person who operates a commercial kennel or public auction shall not be subject to further regulation under the provisions of this Act.

3. Any person who possesses a current and valid federal license may, in lieu of obtaining a certificate of registration, make application for a state license as provided in this Act. If properly qualified, and upon payment of the prescribed fee, a license shall be issued under the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 12. NEW SECTION. Denial or revocation of license or registration. A certificate of registration may be denied to any pound or animal shelter and a license may be denied to any public auction, boarding kennel, commercial kennel, hobby kennel, pet shop, commercial breeder, or dealer or, if granted such certificate or license, may be revoked by the secretary if, after public hearing, it is determined that the housing facilities or primary enclosures are inadequate under the

provisions of this Act or if the feeding, watering, cleaning and housing practices at the pound, animal shelter, public auction, pet shop, boarding kennel, commercial kennel, hobby kennel, or those practices by the commercial breeder or dealer, are not in compliance with the provisions of this Act or with the rules and regulations which shall be promulgated pursuant to the authority of this Act. The premises of each licensee or certificate holder shall be open for inspection during normal business hours.

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SEC. 13. NEW SECTION. Penalties. Operation of a pound, animal shelter, pet shop, boarding kennel, commercial kennel, hobby kennel or public auction, as defined in Section 2 of this Act, or dealing in dogs or cats, or both, either as a dealer or a commercial breeder, without a currently valid license or a certificate of registration shall constitute a misdemeanor and each day of such operation shall constitute a separate offense. Upon conviction, a violator shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not more than thirty days.

Failure of any person licensed or registered to adequately house, feed or water dogs or cats, or both, in his possession or custody or failure of any operator of a licensed pet shop to adequately house, feed, or water any vertebrate animal shall constitute a misdemeanor. Upon conviction, a violator shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not more than thirty days. Such animals shall be subject to seizure and impoundment and may be sold or destroyed by euthanasia at the discretion of the secretary and such failure shall also constitute grounds for revocation of license after public hearing. The commission of an act declared to be an unlawful practice under section seven hundred thirteen point twenty-four (713.24) of the Code, by any person licensed under this Act shall constitute grounds for revocation of license.

It shall be unlawful for a dealer, as defined in section two (2), subsection eleven (11) of this Act, to knowingly ship a diseased animal. A dealer violating the provisions of this paragraph shall be subject to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars. Each diseased animal shipped in violation of this paragraph shall constitute a separate offense.

SEC. 14. NEW SECTION. Custody by animal warden. An animal warden, upon taking custody of any animal in the course of his official duties, shall immediately make a record of the matter in the manner prescribed by the secretary and the record shall include a complete description of the animal, reason for seizure, location of seizure, the owner's name and address if known, and all license or other identification numbers, if any. Complete information relating to the disposition of the animal shall be added in the manner provided by the secretary immediately after disposition.

SEC. 15. NEW SECTION. Violation by animal warden. Violation of any provision of this Act which relates to the seizing, impoundment, and custody of an animal by an animal warden shall constitute a misdemeanor and each animal handled in violation shall constitute a separate offense. Upon conviction, a violator shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not more than thirty days.

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SEC. 16. NEW SECTION. Rules and regulations. The secretary shall promulgate rules consistent with the objectives and intent of this Act, for the purpose of carrying out such objectives and intent, within ninety days after the effective date of this Act, subject to chapter seventeen A (17A) of the Code. However, rules adopted by the secretary shall not exceed any federal standards or rules except as specifically provided for in this Act.

SEC. 17. NEW SECTION. Exceptions. This Act shall not apply to a place or establishment which operates under the immediate supervision of a duly licensed veterinarian as a hospital where animals are harbored, hospitalized, and cared for incidental to the treatment, prevention, or alleviation of disease processes during the routine practice of the profession of veterinary medicine, except that, if animals are accepted by such place, establishment, or hospital for boarding for consideration, the place, establishment, or hospital shall be subject to the provisions hereof applicable to a boarding kennel and the regulations relating thereto which shall hereafter be promulgated by the secretary.

SEC. 18. NEW SECTION. Fees. All fees collected by the secretary from licenses and certificates issued under this Act shall be paid to the treasurer of state.

Approved April 19, 1974

CHAPTER 1149

SHEEP DEALER'S LICENSE

H. F. 1362

AN ACT relating to the licensing of sheep dealers.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section one hundred sixty-six A point two (166A.2), 2 Code 1973, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:
- NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. Any person who is licensed as a sheep dealer under chapter one hundred seventy-two A (172A) of the Code shall be exempt from this section.

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